## NHDES

## The State of New Hampshire

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



## Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

June 5, 2008

Lorie Chase 268 County Farm Road Dover, NH 03820

Dear Ms. Chase:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) is in receipt of your nomination for the designation of the Cocheco River into the Rivers Management and Protection Program. The nomination was received on May 29, 2008.

Upon review of the materials submitted, including the river nomination form, maps and appendices, DES has determined that the nomination satisfies the requirements for completeness under RSA 483:6 and Env-Wq 1803. You may, however, continue to submit any supplemental information in support of the nomination that you wish. In addition, because the completed nomination was received prior to the June 1st deadline, please be advised that the designation of the Cocheco River into the Rivers Management and Protection Program is now eligible for consideration during the next legislative session.

A public hearing will be scheduled so that DES and the Rivers Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) may receive public comments on the nomination. Ordinarily, a field trip along the river is scheduled for the same day as the hearing. We anticipate that the public hearing and field trip will be held in July or August. Following the public hearing and the evaluation of the nomination based on the criteria listed in RSA 483:6,IV and Env-Wq 1804, the DES Rivers Program and the RMAC will make their respective recommendations to the DES Commissioner about whether to approve the nomination.

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meeting of the RMAC. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Steven M. Couture Rivers Coordinator

cc: Thomas S. Burack, NHDES Commissioner Rivers Management Advisory Committee Town of New Durham, Board of Selectmen Town of Farmington, Board of Selectmen Town of Middleton, Board of Selectmen Town of Milton, Board of Selectmen City of Rochester, Mayor and City Council City of Dover, Mayor and City Council

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